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SUBJ: BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS: TREES FOR GOODWILL PLANTING.

1. THE AUSTRALIAN-AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF VICTORIA HAS SUGGESTED AN IDEA FOR USE IN THE BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION PROGRAM OF PLANTING EITHER A SEQUOIA OR REDWOOD TREE (AS A SPECIALLY IDENTIFIABLE AMERICAN TREE) IN THE MELBOURNE BOTANIC GARDENS WITH A BICENTENNIAL COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUE.

2. INITIAL CONVERSATIONS WITH THE CURATOR OF THE ROYAL BOTANIC GARDENS IN MELBOURNE INDICATES AN INTEREST IN THE PROJECT AND DISCUSSIONS WITH THE QUARANTINE STATION ARE UNDER WAY TO DETERMINE ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS.

3. IF THE PLAN IS FEASIBLE, THE POST HOPES TO IMPLEMENT IT. HOWEVER, IT MUST LEARN FROM THE DEPT WHETHER OR NOT SEQUOIA OR REDWOOD TREES CAN BE OBTAINED FOR SHIPMENT TO AUSTRALIA IN 1976. DETAILS CAN BE WORKED OUT AT A LATER DATE ONCE THE DONOR ORGANIZATION IN CALIFORNIA IS DETERMINED.

4. WE ARE EXPLORING WITH THE AUSTRALIAN AMERICAN ASSOCIATIONS OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA AND TASMANIA THE
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POSSIBILITIES OF SIMILAR PLANTINGS IN THE CAPITAL

CITIES OF THOSE STATES.

5. OTHER POSTS MAY WISH TO INCORPORATE THIS INTO THEIR
BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS SINCE BOTANIC GARDENS SEEM
TO BE LOCATED IN EACH CAPITAL CITY IN AUSTRALIA.
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